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1. In late February 1949 a certain Muhammad 'Ali Zainal went to Mosul, Iraq, from Baghdad as a representative of the Central Committee of the Iraqi Communist Party. Zainal was carrying directives containing the following instructions:
 - a. The Mosul branch of the Communist Party should remain ostensibly peaceful, in order to give the Iraqi Government a false sense of security.
 - b. Meanwhile, preparations should continue for sabotage and the disruption of the community.
 - c. The Party must improve its own security arrangements, in view of "recent disasters."
2. Source states that Communists in the Mosul area have stolen explosives from the Mosul Petroleum Company and have hidden them in houses rented in the names of Hamdun Janas and 'Abd-al-Karim Khalaf.
3. In addition, the Iraqi CID has discovered a letter written by Hamid Othman (© Sabir, © Baqir), Communist Party organizer for Erbil and Sulaymaniya. The letter was addressed to the Communist Party center in Baghdad and stated that land mines were being smuggled across the Iraqi border at Qala Dizah, forty-eight miles northwest of Sulaymaniya. The letter recommended that a Party nominee go to Qala Dizah in order to buy some of these mines, which were being sold for seven hundred and fifty Iraqi fils each.

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